

**Parks Advisory Committee Meeting
Mansfield Town Hall
Conference Room B
Draft Minutes
Wednesday, February 3, 2016
7:00 pm
Chair: Sue Harrington**

- I. Welcome - Meeting started at 7:04 p. m.
- II. Attendance - Julianna Barrett, Sue Harrington, Tom Harrington, Jennifer Kaufman, Bill Thorne
Community Guest - David Freudmann
- III. Approval of Minutes- Approved
- IV. Old Business
 - A. Bicycling in Town Parks - Progress has been slowed down to the number of agencies involved.
 - B. Storrs Center Open Space - No new news. Jen looked at possible trails. Town will have a right-of-way.
 - C. Management Plan Review
 - Fifty-foot - Put off until next meeting, so that people may be able to carefully read the current plan.
 - Schoolhouse Brook Park - Eric was not here to present the plan.
 - D. Events
 - Winter Tracking Event Report - Good attendance with 17 people. The snow came at just the right time and we had many varied tracks to observe around the Mansfield Community Center.
 - Spring Events
 - Star Party- April 29th
 - Birding with Mom- Mt Hope Park-Sunday, May 8th
 - Wildflowers at Fifty-foot-May 14th - Charlotte Pyle and friends.
 - CT Trails Day-Dunhamtown Forest, June 5th - We will start from the White Oak side.
- V. New Business
 - A. Samuel Dodd Award - Will be awarded on April 6, 2016.
 - B. Project Green Space - Discussed. We decided not to comment.

- VI. Future Agendas - There will be a meeting of the Bike/Ped group at the Nash-Zimmer Transportation Center on Thursday February 4, 2016 at 7:00 p. m.
- VII. Announcements/Communications - Received a grant for fanwort control in the Eagleville Lake. We will be able to use some of this money to eradicate Water Chestnut from Bicentennial Pond.
- VIII. Adjourn - 7:48 p. m.